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**SCHOOL EXPERTS
HOLD CONFERENCE**Educators From All Parts of
Virginia Take Part in
Meeting.**REPORTS SHOW PROGRESS
Distinguished Speakers on Pro-
gram at City Auditorium
To-Night.**

With registration yesterday totaling 2,000, or 500 ahead of the second day last year, the eleventh annual meeting of the Virginia Educational Conference now going on in Richmond bids fair to outstrip all its predecessors in attendance.

Conference directors are confident that that figure will be passed to-day and placed far behind by the time the conference closes to-morrow night. J. T. Pentreath, chairman of the committee on registration, estimated last night that at least 1,000 delegates had been registered yesterday. Three clerks were busy all day yesterday enrolling visitors and supplying them with conference badges and information.

After several simultaneous departmental meetings this morning and a light program this afternoon, the prize attraction of the whole meeting will be presented at 8:15 o'clock this evening at the City Auditorium. Governor Henry Carter Stuart will preside. President Charles W. Magphis, of the State Teachers' Association, will make his annual address, and John Kendrick Bangs, of New York, will deliver his lecture, "We, the People." A quartet of Richmond singers and the Philharmonic Association will give a concert.

COMPULSORY EDUCATION

Yesterday's program included the meeting at 9:30 o'clock in the auditorium of John Marshall High School, at which Dr. Douglas S. Freeman and J. H. Binford spoke; the twelve departmental meetings held simultaneously from 2 until 3:45 o'clock yesterday afternoon; the meeting at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, at which Mayor George Ainslie welcomed the visitors to the city, and Professor Edwin M. Hopkins, of the University of Kansas, and Associate Professor Thomas H. Briggs, of Columbia University, spoke; and the meeting at 8:15 o'clock last night, at which State Superintendent R. C. Stearnes and Dr. George H. Banny, president of the University of Alabama, made addresses.

Mr. Binford, assistant superintendent of the Richmond Public Schools, speaking yesterday morning on "The Next Step in Public Education," advocated a minimum school term of seven months throughout the State, the passage of an effective compulsory education law by the next Legislature, and the making of a thorough survey of the entire public school system of Virginia. Dr. Douglas S. Freeman spoke on "The Relation of Public Schools to Good Citizenship."

HIGH SCHOOL CADETS

The trustees and superintendents declared at their meeting yesterday morning that they would recommend to the city the establishment of a holiday annually on Wednesday of conference week, in order that they might attend the meeting. The measure was proposed Tuesday at the meeting of the executive committee of the State Teachers' Association.

The John Marshall High School Cadet Corps, 275 strong, gave an exhibition drill in complete regalia at 11:45 o'clock yesterday morning in the Graye Armory.

All school officers, teachers, principals and delegates to the conference were entertained at luncheon at 12:30 o'clock yesterday in the Blues' Armory by the merchants of Richmond. A total of 960 attended the luncheon. At a similar entertainment given during the conference last year, 600 were present. The Virginia School Supply Company entertained the visiting superintendents, trustees and supervisors at the same hour yesterday with a luncheon at their building, Meadow and Marshall Streets. More than 400 were present.

MAYOR AINSLIE

Mayor George Ainslie yesterday afternoon extended a cordial welcome to the State Teachers' Association and members of allied organizations.

"Richmond welcomes the association," he said, "because we have come to realize the enormous importance of the association to the present and future welfare of the State. It has not been so long ago when teaching was considered to be just a respectable job for women who had to make a living, without any special thought being given to training, aptitude and adaptability. It is different now. We spend on those who enter the teaching profession a great deal of time and labor in preparing them for a work more important than which there is none more important. In Richmond the time has come when we are putting forth greater effort and more money in providing teaching staffs and modern equipment for our schools. In the last budget more than 25 per cent of the funds after the fixed charges had been provided for, was devoted to the schools. Four years ago the amount spent was only 13 per cent of the budget."

USE OF SCHOOLS AS

COMMUNITY CENTERS

The Mayor advocated the use of the school buildings as community centers, calling attention to the fact that in

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**Washington Feels
Deep Resentment****Expects Allies to Reconsider Re-
fusal to Issue Safe Conduct to
New Austrian Envoy.**

[By Associated Press.]
WASHINGTON, November 29.—The United States has sent notes to Great Britain and France, it became known to-day, requesting reconsideration by those governments of their refusal to issue a safe conduct through their blockade lines for Count Tarnowski, the new Austro-Hungarian ambassador to this country, and speaking of the unfortunate effect that a continued refusal would have on opinion here.

The notes point out that it is an inalienable right of sovereign nations to exchange ambassadors, and insist that a third nation, even in time of war, is not justified in denying that right. Great care is taken to base the representations solely on the grounds of international right as distinguished from mere international courtesy, making it clear that the United States is not asking a favor or assuming the attitude of a pleader.

If the present note meets with an unsatisfactory response, it is admitted that a very difficult situation will be developed. The allied embassies are deeply concerned over the resentment felt by the Washington government, and are taking unusual care to keep their governments fully informed.

Early replies to the American notes are expected, owing to the fact that Count Tarnowski is scheduled to sail from Rotterdam on the Dutch steamer Nieuw Amsterdam on December 15.

Should the replies prove unfavorable, the United States might send a final note notifying the allies to disturb the Austrian envoy at their own risk, or it might be decided to send an American merchantman or warship to some neutral port to receive the ambassador and bring him across the Atlantic. As yet, however, such a contingency has hardly been contemplated, in view of the confident belief that the allies will yield.

TO WITNESS INAUGURATION**San Francisco Women Democrats Will
Invade Washington
In Force.**

SAN FRANCISCO, November 29.—San Francisco women Democrats will invade Washington in force on inauguration day, if the plans advocated at the luncheon held here to-day bear fruit. The movement is expected to result in at least 1,000 women of California, led by the California Greys, the crack San Francisco military organization, and their hand going to Washington to take part in the inaugural parade.

The expedition is to be known as the Women's Inaugural Special Train for Washington. Word has been received that the Governor of Missouri will have the party as his guests for one day, and the California Greys will be received by the famous Richmond Blues and the Virginia Military Institute. The party will leave San Francisco February 21.

WILSON PLANS QUIET DAY**Will Attend Services at Presbyterian
Church and Have Dinner With
Family at Home.**

WASHINGTON, November 29.—President Wilson's Thanksgiving plans call for a day of complete rest. A mammoth turkey which was sent to Washington from Oklahoma by a Wilson admirer will be served to the immediate members of the White House family at the evening meal.

Earlier in the day the President and Mrs. Wilson will attend the Thanksgiving service at the Central Presbyterian Church.

Joseph Tumulty, secretary to the President, was turkey hunting in the Washington markets to-night. South Trimble, of Kentucky, notified the secretary several days ago that he had shipped a turkey to the Tumulty address, but the fowl had not arrived, according to a late report made by the express company.

OHIO SETS NEW RECORD**Gives Wilson More Votes Than Were
Ever Cast for Any Other Presi-
dential Candidate.**

COLUMBUS, Ohio, November 29.—The State Canvassing Board, composed of State officers, finds the plurality of President Wilson in the recent election in Ohio to have been 90,110. The Wilson vote was 604,946, against 514,836 for Judge Hughes.

Mr. Wilson has the distinction of receiving more votes than were ever cast for any candidate for President in Ohio. In 1904 Theodore Roosevelt had 600,995; in 1908 Mr. Taft had 572,312. In four years Mr. Wilson gained the support of nearly 150,000 voters who did not favor him in 1912.

PAPERS ADVANCE PRICES**Three Morning Dailies in Pittsburgh
Raise Rate From 10 to 12
Cents Per Week.**

PITTSBURGH, Pa., November 29.—Three local morning papers announced to-night that, beginning on December 1, the rate per week will be 12 cents, instead of 10 cents. This announcement followed one made by the four afternoon newspapers yesterday, advancing the price per copy from 1 to 2 cents.

WILLARDS AT WHITE HOUSE**American Ambassador to Spain and
Wife Received by President
and Mrs. Wilson.**

[By Associated Press.]
WASHINGTON, November 29.—Joseph E. Willard, of Virginia, ambassador to Spain, and Mrs. Willard were received at the White House to-night by the President and Mrs. Wilson.

**FOOTBALL CLASSIC
EVENT OF TO-DAY****Big Gridiron Contest Is Chief
Feature of Thanksgiving
Holiday.****BOTH TEAMS IN READINESS
Champions From Universities of
Virginia and North Caro-
lina to Meet.**

Abounding in prosperity and having every reason to offer thanksgiving, Richmond will to-day celebrate the annual occasion by offering up her gratitude from pulpit and pew and from mansion and cottage, and then turn out en masse for the holiday. In the morning special services will be held in churches of all denominations, as they follow the rural fashion, the churches will be decorated with the visible results of the present tide of wealth and productivity, so that man may see as he prays the goodness which the fields of God have brought him.

In the home, at the midday hour with some, at 7 o'clock with others, the great American bird will take his accustomed place in front of the seat of the paterfamilias, and be carved according to divers needs and the number of watering mouths. A turkey for everybody has been made possible by the downward trend of cost in this particular instance. Then, of course, there will be dessert of pumpkin pie, with generous portions of various kinds of other pies and puddings.

GREAT FOOTBALL CLASSIC**IS FEATURE OF DAY**

But the feature of the day will be the annual game between the eleven of North Carolina and Virginia, beginning in Broad Street Park this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The weather forecast is cold and partly cloudy. Being as much a social occasion as an affair of the gridiron, the game will be attended by the 400 and their debutante daughters and enthusiastic sons, to see and be seen, as well as by the proletariat and those who go for the sport alone. Chrysanthemums—for what is a Thanksgiving Day without a chrysanthemum—will blow from every grandstand seat, from every unpolished, unadorned bleacher board and from every automobile parked against the rail.

There will be a chaos of color, a riot of life and unpaired beauty when the crowd sits down and awaits the unleashing of the twenty-two helmeted heroes. It will be an anxious moment, that for the gridiron men themselves. But that first long wait over, the first down attempted or won, the two eleven will settle into their stride and know afterwards only the joy of strife and the grim determination to cross the farther goal.

VANGUARD OF VISITORS**HAS ALREADY ARRIVED**

The vanguard of the visitors arrived yesterday afternoon and night, filling the hotels from near-by cellar to the attic row. Down below they talked over a charged bottle and made their boastful bets. Upstairs they dreamed of football, seeing in their fancies a touchdown by the Blue and White or the Orange and Blue, each as his sympathy gave father to the wish. It is to be a close game, the prophets say, and to prove the correctness of their vision they point to the fact that the betting is even. It is true that North Carolina ventured forth this year with stouter heart and more rightful claim to the title of a worthy rival of Virginia, with a weaker eleven than usual, has done desperate things to keep her men on the qui vive, alert for the surprise which the old North State may bring. So Richmond may be treated to a football game rather than only to a mere social, conventional event.

Not in many seasons has there been so pronounced an opportunity for a close game between the two eleven. Not since that sad day for North Carolina when she sent her governor and her college president to witness her defeat while Governor Stuart and President Alderman drank in the sweets of victory have the prospects for so large and gala a gathering of enthusiasts been brighter. It had been expected that Secretary of the Navy Josephus Daniels, present on that other occasion, would accompany the visiting team, but pressure of business affairs rules otherwise.

AMERICAN WILLARD**TO WITNESS CONTEST**

Joseph E. Willard, ambassador to Spain, and his family, who left Washington yesterday, will occupy seats in the grand stand. Representatives of the State government, city officials and men prominent in official and civil life will be present to urge Virginia over the last kick of ground. They will form a sober background for society bedecked in all its glory.

Of course, the first arrival, and he it said, the loudest and most consistent booster, from North Carolina is Father Perrin Busbee, an attorney of Raleigh, who graduated from North Carolina in '23. It was he who captained the first team to play against Virginia. In 1891 he brought up nine men to play baseball against Virginia. He went home with the score 8 to 1 against him. The game was played in Island Park, on Mayo's Island, where in those ancient days all the sports were staged. He has attended the last twenty-one games between the two institutions, and, though North Carolina has lost eleven consecutively, Mr. Busbee, being a true North Carolinian, has never lost heart. Of other losses he may have

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FAST SERVICE TO THE WEST

Train leaving Richmond 2:30 P. M. daily
(By Associated Press.)
The Pennsylvania Railroad's Capital Express, through Atlantic City, from Washington to Chicago, Cleveland, Cincinnati and St. Louis.

**VILLA IN CONTROL
OF PART OF CITY****Carranza Forces Reported as
Fighting Hard to Hold Their
Section of Chihuahua.****FOREIGNERS BELIEVED SAFE
First Foreign Refugee to Leave
Besieged Town Arrives
in El Paso.**

[By Associated Press.]
EL PASO, TEX., November 29.—The first foreign refugee to leave Chihuahua City since the siege began arrived here to-day. He reported that Villa and Julio Acosta were in control of part of the city when he made his escape by automobile at 2 o'clock this morning. Owing to the fact that he had been in hiding, he explained that he had no means of knowing first-hand just what had happened, or even the whereabouts of General Trevino.

Carranza forces were holding hard to their part of the city according to the refugee, who added that he understood all foreigners were safe.

Cannon firing ceased some time early Monday morning, but the small-arms firing continued through Monday and Tuesday, the refugee declared. He admitted knowing nothing more about the military situation in the capital than the reports brought to him from time to time by servants and others who came to his home, which is near the home of General Trevino, he said.

As he passed along the Villa Ahumada road in his automobile late to-day, the refugee reported having seen 185 bandits at Los Tanques, about thirty miles southeast of Juarez.

MEN ALL WELL ARMED.**BUT HE IS NOT MOLESTED**

He said the column was moving in the general direction of Villa Ahumada south of Juarez, and the men were all well armed, but he was not molested. United States Army officers stationed at Fabens, Tex., thirty-two miles southeast of here, and opposite Guadalupe, Chihuahua, were notified to-night, and dispatched scouts to investigate the presence of bandits so near the border. The Juarez military officers were also notified of the reported presence of the bandit force.

When he left Chihuahua City at 2 A. M. to-day, the refugee said he could hear rifle shots in different parts of the city, but was not molested as he drove out. Only two men appeared on the street through which he drove, and neither of these challenged him.

The foreigner said he had heard of looting in the business section of the city, but had not verified this report. He declared he had no way of ascertaining the whereabouts or safety of the other foreigners in the city, as he did not dare to leave his home. However, he added that he did not believe any foreign residents had been killed. He said little damage had been done to the city, as Villa had no cannon when he made the attack.

MAKES DASH FOR PLAINS**NORTH OF STATE CAPITAL**

After slipping out of his garage in an automobile, the foreign refugee made a dash for the plains to the north of the State capital, he said. He passed a number of bandits between the city and the border, but they encountered near Sauz. He said these bandits shouted "Villa Villa" as he passed in his automobile, the flag of his country flying on the car. The bandits did not stop him, he said, nor did he in his direction. He saw another band further north, but was not near enough to ascertain who they were.

He did not pass through Sauz, going within two miles of this town, nor did he hear of any refugees or Carranza forces. He said the refugees or Carranza forces were at the State capital, he stopped at Villa Ahumada, where he was detained temporarily by the Carranza guards, but was permitted to continue to the border.

As a precautionary measure, additional troops were ordered downtown from the fort and army camps to-night by Brigadier-General Bell. Artillery was held in readiness on the Mesa, overlooking the city and Juarez, and an armored automobile was sent to the International Bridge. The report of bandit operations in the vicinity of Juarez was believed to have been responsible for this military activity.

OBJECT TO WITHDRAWAL**OF AMERICAN FORCES**

[By Associated Press.]
JUAREZ, November 29.—Mexican merchants who reached here Monday night from Nampulqui reported to-day that petition were being circulated in the towns and settlements in the vicinity of the American expeditionary force's headquarters and outposts asking the United States government not to withdraw the American troops now.

They claim Villa has made a threat against all who lived in Nampulqui, Guerrero, San Buenaventura, Casas Grandes, Colonia Dublan, Colonia Juarez and the other towns in Western Chihuahua, saying he would kill all residents of these towns and burn their homes because they had aided the Americans.

A report is in circulation here that a bridge has been burned between Santa Sofia and Guzman, on the Mexican Northwestern Railroad. If this is true, General Pershing will be prevented from receiving supplies for his column by railroad.

100 PER CENT FOR YEAR**Directors of E. I. du Pont de Nemours
Company Declare Regular and
Special Dividends.**

[By Associated Press.]
WILMINGTON, DEL., November 29.—The directors of the E. I. du Pont de Nemours Company to-day declared the regular quarterly dividend of 1-1/2 per cent on common stock and a special dividend of 24-1/2 per cent, making a total for the year of 100 per cent.

**Call for Concerted
Uprising Against
High Cost of Living****Governors and Mayors Will
Be Asked to Set Aside
Days for Series of
Boycotts.**

[By Associated Press.]
NEW YORK, November 29.—One of the most remarkable food situations ever noted in connection with the Thanksgiving season developed here to-day as a result of the unprecedented food prices. On one hand there was a semipalm among dealers in the Thanksgiving turkey market as a result of the public's refusal to buy at the prices demanded, it was announced by Joseph Hartigan, commissioner of weights and measures. On the other hand, a call for a concerted public uprising against the high cost of living was issued here by Mayor Burns, of Troy, president of the New York State Conference of Mayors, who advocated proclamations by the Governors of all the States and Mayors of all the cities of the country to be published broadcast and read in the schools and churches, setting days for a series of boycotts against high-priced foods.

Mr. Hartigan said that large quantities of turkeys, chickens and geese had been shipped here from the West by the raisers, in expectation of high prices.

"But the public is being scared off by the excessive prices of the last few days," he said. "The price of 28 cents to 45 cents which now prevails is so high that retailers state that the public indicates it will not buy, for the price is beyond its means."

The dealers are finding, he said, a feeling that "if the public were to pay high prices they would establish a precedent which would mean the same high prices at Christmas and New Year's." They were predicting better eleventh-hour sales when the prices dropped, he said.

DEALERS OBLIGED

The egg boycott, he said, has produced less buying, and "in self-defense the dealers have been obliged to reduce the price in order to induce purchases."

The price of cold-storage eggs at wholesale was 1 and 2 cents lower to-day than yesterday morning, when the egg boycott began. Eggs sold at 34 to 38 cents a dozen, according to grade. The average price for fresh eggs was 63 cents, as compared with 55 a year ago. The price of fresh eggs showed no change from yesterday.

Some of the wholesale dealers asserted that the boycott would play into the hands of foreign buyers. They said that men who want eggs for export are waiting for a reduction in price. An official daily report issued for the benefit of produce dealers said: "Storage eggs are lower, under a reduction of speculative support, and a disposition on the part of the distributing trade to hold off and use the stock on hand."

The Housewives' League to-day continued active missionary work to discourage the use of eggs. One method is an endless chain of telephone appeals. One woman called up twenty-five of her friends, asked them to abstain from eggs for two weeks, and then asked each of these twenty-five to call twenty-five of her women friends and deliver the same message. A canvass of the big public markets showed that almost every item of the Thanksgiving dinner will cost more this year than it did a year ago. Some of the retail increases (in cents) are:

Turkeys, pound.....	35 to 40
Ducks, pound.....	25 to 30
Roasting chickens.....	24 to 26
Geese.....	28 to 30
Butter.....	46 to 52
Cranberries, quart.....	15 to 20
Celery, bunch.....	20 to 25
Onions, white, quart.....	12
Pumpkins.....	20 to 50

WORKING TO FIND SOLUTION**FOR HIGH PRICES OF FOOD**

CHICAGO, November 29.—City, State and Federal officials, together with numbers of civic, women's and other organizations were working to-day to find a solution for the high prices of foodstuffs.

With the campaign centering on eggs it was announced that municipal inspectors had discovered in storage about 800,000 eggs of questionable quality which were tagged and marked for examination by the city chemists, while more than 2,000,000 eggs were found in six cold storage houses awaiting an increase in price. In addition, inspectors found 36,000,000 eggs stored in another warehouse, the owner of which has not been located. Charles E. Cline, United States district attorney, also began an inquiry into the report that James E. Wetzel, the holder of 72,000,000 eggs in Chicago, and to learn, if Mr. Wetzel is not the actual owner, who is backing him in the alleged attempted corner.

NORFOLK POULTRY DEALERS**ABOUT BEING OVERSTOCKED**

NORFOLK, VA., November 29.—The declaration of war on what was alleged to be exorbitant prices, issued this morning by the Housewives' League, in a resolution adopted urging the people of the city to forego the pleasure of Thanksgiving turkey and to restrict the use of eggs to those absolutely necessary in cooking, was more generally observed than expected, market men declared to-night. As a result, turkey was offered at retail from 32 to 38 cents. Prices yesterday ranged from 40 to 45 for the same stock. Poultry dealers admit they are overstocked, and will have to refrigerate supplies owing to the slump in the retail trade.

**Increase During Year
About 16 Per Cent**

WASHINGTON, November 29.—Retail prices of foods in the United States as a whole advanced 3 per cent from September 15 to October 15, making a 16 per cent increase for twelve months, as shown in reports completed to-day by the Bureau of Labor Statistics. The figures came from 725 retail dealers in forty-five principal industrial centers.

In the thirty days covered by the reports, meats declined from 1 to 6 per cent, but all other articles given, except tea, coffee and rice, advanced from 1 per cent for meats, to 6 per cent for butter, bread and sugar, and 11 per cent for eggs.

**PRICE OF MILK GOES
UP 1 CENT PER QUART****Dairies Advance Retail Selling Fig-
ure to 11 Cents, Effective
To-Morrow.****PAYING MORE TO FARMERS****They in Turn Are Put to Greater
Cost in Purchase of Cattle Feed
and Other Expenses, According to
Statement.**

With abnormally high prices already prevailing for practically every commodity used by the average household, the high cost of living will be felt still further in Richmond with an advance in the retail price of sweet milk to the consumer, effective to-morrow. It was learned last night that the dairy companies of this city would advance milk on December 1 1 cent per quart to 11 cents, in order that higher prices may be paid to the dairy farmers for their products.

Dairy farmers are facing a serious situation, it was said last night. They are paying from 40 to 50 per cent more than they did a year ago for practically every commodity that they are forced to purchase for the production of milk and butter. Realizing that they could not exist under such conditions, they appealed to the dairy companies, which met them in their demands.

Leading dairymen said last night that they realized the situation facing the farmers, and knew that some action must be taken at once to prevent the city's milk supply from being placed in jeopardy. Accordingly, the farmer was granted an increase for his products. Stress was laid on the fact last night that the farmers in no sense made demands for higher prices, but that leaders, knowing their condition almost as well as the farmers themselves, readily agreed to the advance.

ADVANCE PUT INTO EFFECT**FOR MONTH OF DECEMBER**

The advance of 1-1/2 cents a pint for sweet milk in Richmond will be placed in effect by the dairy companies for the month of December, but there will be no reduction until the high price of animal feeds has declined. Many dealers in supplies fear there will be no break in prices this winter, and some doubt was expressed last night whether the price of milk would be reduced on January 1. Such a decline, it was said, dairymen said they would be governed entirely by the commodity situation, and that as soon as the articles dropped, the price of milk would be reduced.

Dairymen said last night that they were now paying the farmers 25 cents per gallon for sweet milk, as against 22 cents which prevailed a year ago. Many of them said they preferred to work on a close market, if they can do so, allowing the farmer the greatest supply possible for his product, that the supply may not be curtailed.

GREAT ADVANCE IN**PRICE OF CATTLE FEED**

They recalled the fight between dairymen and producers in Boston recently, in which the latter were granted an advance, but said that local farmers were receiving a substantially higher rate for their products. "We found that we would have to pay the farmer more for his milk," said a leading dairymen last night, "if we were going to keep him going. Great advances have been made in the prices of various materials and food products the farmer must buy, and he could not continue in business at the same prices he was receiving last year."

"Every item on his list that must be purchased for his herds has advanced heavily in recent months. Meal is about 10 per cent higher than last year; bran has increased to a marked degree, while the price of corn is at such a high level that they are selling their crops rather than feeding corn to the cattle. Cottonseed meal alone has increased from \$2 to \$48 per ton within the past year."

SEND PROTEST TO WILSON**Members of New Orleans Cotton Ex-
change Oppose Deportation of
Belgians to Germany.**

[By Associated Press.]
NEW ORLEANS, November 29.—About 100 members of the New Orleans Cotton Exchange to-day signed a petition, which was forwarded to President Wilson, urging him to protest to Germany on behalf of the United States against the deportation of Belgians to Germany.

**TEUTONIC FORCES
SLOWLY CLOSING
IN ON BUKHAREST****Advance Toward Rouma-
nian Capital Meeting With
Little Impediment.****IMPORTANT JUNCTION
OF PETECHTI CAPTURED****In Center Defending Forces Re-
ported to Be Retreating East-
ward in Disorder.****RUSSIANS MAKE SLIGHT GAINS****Apparently Little Infantry Fighting
Has Taken Place on Any
of Other Fronts.**

[By Associated Press.]

Although the Russians, probably as a diversion, are carrying on with great intensity an offensive in the Carpathian region around Kirlibaba, north-west of the Roumanian border, the advance of the Teutonic allies along the line in Wallachia toward the Roumanian capital of Bukharest apparently is meeting with little impediment.

The left flank of the forces of the central powers have now captured the important railroad junction of Petechti, sixty-five miles northwest of Bukharest, in the center the Roumanians are reported to be retreating eastward in disorder, while the right flank, composed of the army of Field Marshal von Mackensen, which crossed the Danube, is carrying out maneuvers in co-operation with the other commanders to the north.

The Petrograd War Office, in admitting a continuation of the retreat of the Roumanians, says von Mackensen's men operating from Alexandria have advanced along the turnpike road to Kuluergene, the latter town being twenty miles south of Bukharest. Turkish troops are fighting with the Germans and Austrians in this region.

The Russian official communication asserts that the Russian attack east and south of Kirlibaba has resulted in the capture in both regions of ridges and the taking of 700 men prisoner. The Berlin War Office admits that slight gains were made, but says the Russians suffered heavy casualties. Apparently little infantry fighting has taken place on any of the other fronts. On the line in France and Belgium there have been artillery duels at various points, and here and there small attacks by raiding parties of both the belligerents. Similar fighting is taking place on the Russian front.

The latest German official communication says quiet prevails on the Macedonian front, there having been no resumption of the great battle of the early week, in which both the Teutonic allies and the forces of the entente claim to have had the advantage.

The Russians admit a further advance by the Turks south of Van, in Turkish Armenia.

The British government, beginning December 1, will take control of all the coal mines in South Wales, apparently to prevent the wage dispute between the miners and operators from interfering with the coal supply.

ROUMANIANS IN WALLACHIA**RETREATING IN DISORDER**

BERLIN, November 29 (by wireless to Sayville).—The Russians began attacks